

**STORMWATER TASK FORCE  
MINUTES  
June 2, 2016**

The Stormwater Task Force (SWTF) met in the Ritter Building, first floor conference room, as scheduled, with Matt Allison, Phyllis Luck, Jack Rabbitt, and Jack Rodriquenz present. The meeting opened at 6:45 pm.

Public Comment: Phyllis Luck thanked the Central Mass Mosquito Control Project for their assistance in removing 14 tires from Conservation land abutting Sunset Lane.

Minutes of the April 14 and 28 meetings were approved.

There was a discussion on the Stormwater Task Force (SWTF) difficulties to achieve quorum. There was a motion, by Jack Rodriquenz, that the Task Force would petition the Board of Selectmen to alter the make-up of the Task Force, so that there will be one member of the Board of Selectmen, Conservation Commission, Planning Board, the DPW Director, and one citizen at large. This motion was seconded by Jack Rabbitt. All voted in favor. There was a further discussion that seeking an alternate may also be helpful. It was determined that Phyllis would check on the exact role, duties, responsibilities, and powers bestowed on an alternate. It was also determined that Phyllis would check on what a committee may or may not do when it finds itself without a quorum.

There was a discussion of the important role the Massachusetts Watershed Coalition (MWC) might play in our work. The MWC has offered to assist the Town to comply with the state and federal stormwater permitting requirements, enable Town boards & residents to know how to prevent and fix runoff problems, and develop stormwater solutions that achieve more pollutant capture for less cost. MWC will assist the SWTF with our mission to develop a comprehensive stormwater management plan as well as provide expertise on state, federal, and private funding sources, and assist with grant applications. MWC can assist with educational materials and guidance about stormwater management opportunities. The cost for MWC services would be \$50/hour – a work plan and budget would be decided by the Town and MWC. MWC has received a grant that can help support this stormwater assistance. Jack Rodriquenz made a motion that the Stormwater Task Force petition the Board of Selectmen to hire The Massachusetts Watershed Coalition to assist the SWTF in our work, per the MWC proposal, dated January 5, 2016. The motion was seconded by Matt Allison. All voted in favor.

It was reported that the Board of Selectmen have signed the Intermunicipal Agreement (IMA) to join the Central Mass Regional Stormwater Coalition. Land Director Adam Burney will attend the June Steering Committee meeting and report back to this group.

Jack Rabbitt will follow up with Superintendent Calmes on Mrs. Foyle's Community Service project. Jack Rodriquenz suggested he would like to meet with Mrs. Foyle to further discuss potential projects. The SWTF would be able to integrate the Community service learning goals with the work that needs to be done; it would be a win/win.

It had been determined that there was insufficient time to prepare a 319 Grant application for this cycle. The SWTF will set their sights on an application to be submitted in June 2017.

A potential schedule for summer meetings was proposed: Thursday, June 30; Monday, July 18, August 1, and August 29. It will then be determined what a favorable Sept – May schedule might look like.

The next meeting of the Stormwater Task Force will be on Thursday, June 30, at 6:30 pm, at the Ritter Building, first floor conference room.

**Motion: M. Allison  
To adjourn the meeting at 7:55 pm.**

**2<sup>nd</sup>: J. Rabbitt  
Vote: All in Favor**